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Richard B. Mazess, et. al.

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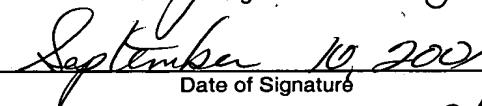
Examiner: Huynh

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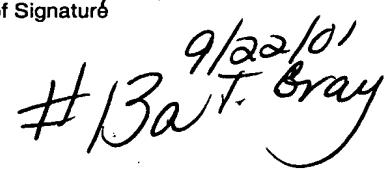
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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This responds to the Office Action mailed May 9, 2001. A one-month extension of time is being filed herewith, thereby extending the deadline for response to September 9, 2001. With September 9, 2001 falling on a Sunday, the deadline for responding to the Action is September 10, 2001.

Also enclosed is a new Oath in response to the Examiner's objection to the Oath filed on April 26, 2000 as well as an Abstract on a separate page as required by 37 CFR 1.72(b).

The Declaration of Jeffrey W. Driscoll is also being filed herewith.

Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 8, 13-16, 19 and 23-40 without prejudice in view of the Examiner's withdrawal of these claims from consideration.